

Amendments to the Specification

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS (Not Applicable)

STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY
SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT (Not Applicable)

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RESEARCH AGREEMENT (Not Applicable)

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF
MATERIALS SUBMITTED ON A COMPACT DISC (Not Applicable)

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The present invention relates to a device for connecting structural elements as disclosed in the preamble of attached claims 1 and 10, respectively, that include engageable male and female components which over a portion of their length have a wedge-shaped engaging part with a dove tailed gradually decreasing cross section, and more particularly to an engageable structure that avoids deformation of the male and female components when engaged. The invention also relates to use of the male and female components for connecting structural elements together.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION (Not Applicable)

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According to the invention the device is characterised by the features that are set forth in independent claims 1 and 10.

Additional embodiments of the invention are apparent from the attached, respective subsidiary claims 2-9, and 11-13 and the following description with reference to Figs. 1-9.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION